

Losses to procurement agencies in Madhya Pradesh

†4413. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the procurement agencies in Madhya Pradesh have incurred losses in procurement of paddy and wheat;

(b) if so, the reasons for the losses; and

(c) whether Government would take necessary steps so that the procurement agencies do not incur losses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SRIRAM CHAUHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Replacement of Consumer Protection Act, 1986

4414. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to replace the existing Consumer Protection Act, 1986 with a new piece of legislation;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the details of the proposed Bill;

(c) whether Government propose to put in place a new Consumer Disputes' Redressal Machinery and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what further steps are proposed to be taken to provide for the speedy settlement of complaints of the consumers?

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